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IN THE CLAIMS

The Applicants hereby amend claims 1, 5, 10, 22, 23, 25. Claims 7, 8, 15-18, 20, and 21 are Canceled. A complete listing of the claims is provided in accordance with the provisions of 37 CFR § 1.121.

1. (Currently Amended) An electronic device for receiving live communications comprising:

a microcomputer configured to execute an application for scheduling a calendar event; said calendar event having a notification profile associated therewith; said microcomputer further configured to processing said notification profile to determine whether to accept a live communication during said scheduled calendar event; said microcomputer further arranged to execute a separate notification profile settings application to enable a user to associate with said calendar event a notification criterion; said notification criterion including a string of text that is established by a user; said notification criterion indicative of said notification profile associated with said calendar event; said notification profile being defined within said separate notification profile settings application; such that said notification profile is selected by said microcomputer based on said string of text appearing in said calendar event.

2. (Previously Presented) The device of claim 1 wherein if said live communication is not accepted during said scheduled calendar event then said communication is directed to a message application.

3. (Previously Presented) The device of claim 1 wherein said live communication is selected from the group consisting of a voice telephone call, an instant message service message, and a push-to-talk call.

4. (Original) The device of claim 2 wherein said message application is a voicemail application.

5. (Currently Amended) An electronic device for receiving live communications comprising:

a microcomputer configured to execute an application for scheduling a calendar event; said calendar event having a notification profile associated therewith; said microcomputer further configured to processing said notification profile to determine whether to accept a live communication during said scheduled calendar event; said microcomputer further arranged to execute a separate notification profile settings application to enable a user to associate with said calendar event a notification criterion; said notification criterion indicative of said notification profile associated with said calendar event; said notification profile being defined within said separate notification profile settings application; wherein if said live communication is not

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accepted during said scheduled calendar event then said communication is directed to a message application; wherein said microcomputer is operable to execute said voicemail application and said electronic device includes a storage device for storing said communication when said communication is directed to said voicemail application.

6. (Previously Presented) The device of claim 1 wherein said notification profile for said scheduled calendar event is additionally based on at least one criterion that is associated with said live communication.

7. (Canceled)

8. (Canceled)

9. (Original) An electronic device of claim 1 wherein said device is selected from the group consisting of a cell phone, a smart telephone, a desktop computer or a laptop having telephony equipment, a personal digital assistant with cell phone features, and a personal digital assistant with wireless broadband communications.

10. (Currently Amended) A method for modifying behaviour of an electronic device for receiving live communications comprising the steps of:

executing an application in said device to schedule a calendar event;

associating a notification profile with said scheduled calendar event;

upon receipt of a live communication, processing the notification profile to determine whether to accept said live communication during said scheduled calendar event;

executing a separate notification profile settings application in said device so as to associate a notification criterion with said scheduled calendar event, said notification criterion being indicative of said notification profile associated with said scheduled calendar event, said notification criterion including a string of text that is established by a user; said notification profile being defined within the separate notification profile settings application; wherein said notification profile is selected based on said string of text appearing in said calendar event.

11. (Original) The method of claim 10 wherein if said live communication is not accepted then said communication is directed to a message application.

12. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 10 wherein said live communication is any of a telephone call, an instant message service message or an email.

13. (Original) The method of claim 11 wherein said message application is a voicemail application.

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14. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 11 wherein said notification profile for said scheduled calendar event is additionally determined from a criterion that is associated with said live communication.
15. (Canceled)
16. (Canceled)
17. (Canceled)
18. (Canceled)
19. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 10, including executing the separate notification profile settings application so as to select as said notification criterion for the scheduled calendar event one of a plurality of notification criteria, said plurality of criteria being indicative of different, respective notification profiles.
20. (Canceled)
21. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 10, including the steps of: determining in a messaging application a time of receipt of said live communication; determining in a calendar application whether said time of receipt is during the scheduled calendar event; if said time of receipt is during said calendar event, then examining said calendar event for the criterion indicative of the notification profile for indicating how said communication is to be routed, and instructing said messaging application to route said communication to a message service if said calendar event notification profile designates routing to said message service or instructing said messaging application to accept said communication as a live communication if said calendar event so designates.
22. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 10, including the steps of if said time of receipt is not during a calendar event then examining said notification profile settings application to determine how said communication is to be routed, and from said profile settings application, instructing ~~said a~~ messaging application to route said communication to a message service if said profile settings application designates routing to said message application or instructing said messaging application to accept said communication as a live communication if said profile settings application so designates.
23. (Currently Amended) The device of claim 1 wherein the microcomputer is arranged to execute the separate notification profile settings application to enable ~~a~~said user to select as the notification criterion for the scheduled calendar event one of a plurality of notification criteria; each one of said plurality of notification criteria including a unique string of text that is established by said user; said plurality of criteria being indicative of different, respective notification profiles.
24. (Canceled)

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25. (Currently Amended) A computer readable medium containing a plurality of programming instructions for an electronic device for receiving live communications; said programming instructions implementing a method for modifying behaviour of said electronic device for receiving live communications, said method comprising the steps of:

executing an application in said device to schedule a calendar event;

associating a notification profile with said scheduled calendar event;

upon receipt of a live communication, processing the notification profile to determine whether to accept said live communication during said scheduled calendar event;

executing a separate notification profile settings application in said device so as to associate a notification criterion with said scheduled calendar event, said notification criterion being indicative of said notification profile associated with said scheduled calendar event, said notification criterion including a string of text that is established by a user; said notification profile being defined within the separate notification profile settings application; wherein said notification profile is selected based on said string of text appearing in said calendar event.